

BALTIMORE BANKERS LOOK OVER GREATER FAIRMONT PLANS

FINANCIAL SIDE OF DEVELOPMENT INTERESTS THEM

Have Taken Part In Many
Fairmont Business Un-
dertakings

COME IN A PRIVATE CAR

Were Taken To Points That
Are To Be Developed
In Autos

Action on the plans to finance the Greater Fairmont movement began locally today when Baltimore bankers representing some of the most powerful banking institutions in the Maryland metropolis came to the city to make a personal investigation of the Fairmont industrial association movement in general, and with a view to helping to finance the development of over 1000 acres of land now held under option by the Development Association.

The visitors came to the city in the private car of Jere H. Wheelright, president of the Consolidation Coal company. They are:

W. Blenden Lowmeyer, treasurer of the Fidelity Trust company.

J. M. Dennis, president of the Union Trust company.

Mr. Hambleton, of Hambleton & Co., bankers.

These financiers are all well known to the business men of this section of the state. They have been active in the financing of the Monongahela Valley Traction company, the Elkton Fuel company, Wayland Oil and Gas company and other Fairmont enterprises. They are well acquainted with the possibilities of the northern end of West Virginia and have abundant faith in the future of Fairmont.

From the beginning they have been in touch with the movement to make Fairmont an important industrial and transportation center and they came here fully in sympathy with the gentlemen who have that project at heart and have been most active in promoting it.

Part of today they spent going over the city and the property it is proposed to develop. A party of local men, headed by Senator Clarence D. Watson acted as hosts during the tour which was made in automobiles. At noon an al fresco lunch was served where the party found itself at the time.

SEC. BAKER DOUBTS GEN. BELL'S REPORT

General Funston On the
Other Hand, Places
Full Faith In It

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Secretary Baker let it be known today that the War department was not disposed to accept as accurate the report of Villa's raid on Chihuahua City last Saturday, transmitted by Brigadier General Bell yesterday on the strength of information that had reached him in El Paso. We had no military information as to renewed Villa activities, Mr. Baker said, indicating that it was assumed that General Bell's account was based upon rumors and reports current in border towns and not facts obtained through army channels in Mexico.

He declined to discuss in any way what effect the reappearance of Villa, if it were confirmed, might have on the movement of American troops in Mexico. So far as is known the War department has made no effort to learn from General Bell the sources of his information.

SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 22.—General Funston today said he placed full credence in the report of Villa's attack on Chihuahua city sent to the War department by Brigadier General George Bell, Jr., and given out for publication yesterday.

He said he had been informed that General Bell's information was gained from reliable persons who had come to El Paso directly from Chihuahua city immediately after the battle.

The report referred to asserts that Villa personally led the attacking forces; that he took and held numerous important buildings in the city for several hours; that he was joined by a thousand or more men of the Carranza garrison, and retired promising to return soon, and taking with him a large quantity of captured arms and ammunition and artillery.

Mrs. Elizabeth Whitford, of Highland street, and granddaughter, Elizabeth Margaret, left today for Weston and points in Ohio. They will be gone for several days.

JUDGE ROBINSON VISITS HOME OF HIS BOYHOOD

Handled the Tools of His Cobbler Father and Entered
Old Church and Burying Ground
in Barbour County

(Special Dispatch to West Virginian)
PHILIPPI, W. Va., Sept. 22.—On the eve of opening his regular speaking itinerary arranged by his campaign manager, Judge I. E. Robinson chugged into this town in an automobile, disappeared for a couple of hours and passed through here again on his return to Clarksburg. It was Sunday last, and there had been much speculation among the townspeople since as to what occasioned the hurried visit of this distinguished West Virginian who is now big in the public eye. Their curiosity has at least been gratified and there is apparent relief among them.

Judge Robinson came here to visit the graves of his parents in the cemetery at Taylor's Drain Methodist Episcopal church, five miles distant; his boyhood home nearby, and the little one-room shop which sets off to one side from the house and nearer to the road. It was here in this diminutive log building now covered with weather-boarding, as is also the old log wing of the house, that William Robinson, the cobbler, sat at his bench and made boots and shoes for the people of the country side. He was an expert worker and drew patronage on that account from the country seat. In those times men wore boots, and took pride in having the best footwear that expert hands could

Church Pews Now In Political Service

DEMOCRATS USING BENCHES
THAT WERE STORED IN
CITY HALL

For a while after the old Presbyterian church was razed the pews were stored in the council chamber of the City Hall. This was done at the request of a few members of the church who decided that as long as there were no chairs or benches in the large room on the third floor of the municipal building Finance Commissioner J. Walter Barnes might as well take care of them.

They were kept at the city hall and polished daily by the janitor. They were being as well taken care of as they had been while on the interior of the Presbyterian church. But this morning, almost before daylight they were taken to Democratic headquarters where they will be used by the hangers-on. The pews will be lined for the next two months with politicians many of whom never see the inside of churches.

VILLISTAS KILL BRITISH SUBJECTS

Raid On Oil Camp Near
Tuxpam May Start
New Complications

(By Associated Press)
GALVESTON, Sept. 22.—Two British subjects were taken from their homes and shot and 36 of a party of 38 Carranza soldiers were killed in a raid September 16 on an Aquila oil camp near Tuxpam by bandits calling themselves Villistas, according to a report brought here today by the steamer Topila from Tampico.

The Carranzistas put up a hard fight, it was said, but were outnumbered and overpowered. Two of their officers took refuge in the house of an Englishman, and were discovered and put to death and the Englishmen killed for having given them shelter, the report adds.

Mrs. Oliphant Will Speak Here Sept. 29

Buffalo Bill Wild West Show is not the only attraction that will draw crowds to Fairmont Friday, September 29, as Mrs. Oliphant the noted Anti-Suffrage orator will also be here and address a gathering of Marion county voters in the circuit court room at the court house. Mrs. Oliphant is a brilliant woman of attractive personality and great ability. She is the woman who charmed the Republicans and Democrats at the Huntington and Parkersburg conventions.

Higher Wagers For Window Glass Men

(By Associated Press)
PITTSBURGH, Sept. 22.—Substantial increase in wages for workers in the window glass factories of the country were decided upon today at a conference held in Cleveland between the wage committee of the National Window Glass Workers association and representatives of the factories, according to official advices received here.

The new scale becomes operative October 25 when factories are to resume operations after the summer shut down. The new scale will effect approximately 5,000 men in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Kansas, Oklahoma and Indiana.

The Weather

West Virginia — Overcast weather with probably showers tonight and Saturday. F. P. Hall, Observer.

Temperature at 8 a. m. today, 60. Yesterday's weather, clear; temperature, maximum, 80; minimum, 47; precipitation, none.

MOUNTING PRICES AROUSE PEOPLE IN BIG CITIES

Chicago Women Are Going
To Organize Against
Advances

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—Housewives of Chicago were called on today to attend a mass meeting at which an organization will be perfected to fight increases in the prices of food stuff. The announcement that bread is to be advanced from five to six cents a loaf resulted in the call for the meeting.

Miss Florence King, president of the Woman's Association of Commerce under whose auspices the meeting is to be held, urged that housewives boycott dealers or refuse to purchase supplies which have been advanced in price.

"Men are interested in buying and selling for a profit. It is therefore folly to expect them to take any action," the call reads. "Women must put a stop to unwarranted increases, and we alone can stop them."

Want Congress To Stop Export of Food

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Petitions asking the President to call a special session of Congress to meet the increasing cost of food by placing an embargo on food stuff exports were distributed today among some 30,000 retail grocers, bakers and other small dealers throughout the city.

Efforts will be made to get the petition signed by 1,000,000 consumers. The Master Bakers' association which launched the movement here has decided to make a nation wide campaign.

FIRST COAL TRAIN ON W.M.R.R. TODAY

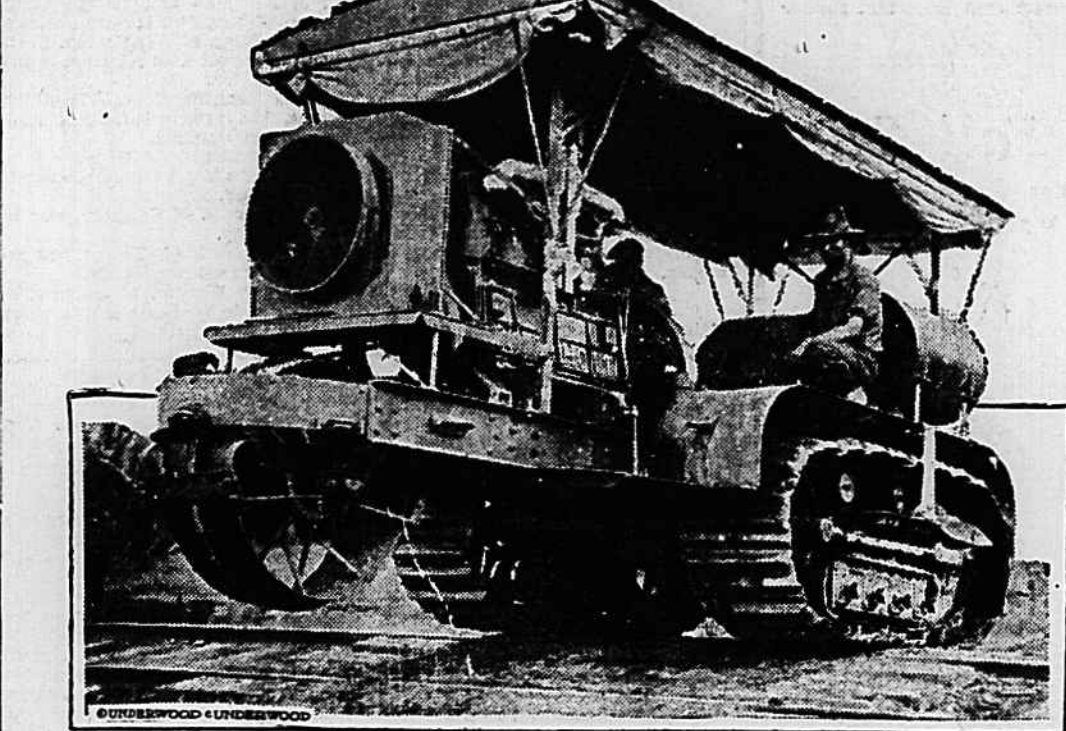
Another Train Due Tonight
For Helen's Run
District

The first train of coal over the Western Maryland railroad was taken out of that section early this morning by engine 627, the locomotive which brought 27 empty coal cars here for loading. The number of cars loaded was not sufficient to take care of the engine rating so the crew picked up some Baltimore and Ohio loading and brought it to Fairmont yard for the B. & O. train men who at all times welcome assistance in getting cars over the Monongahela River district of the Monongah division. After its arrival here the train was reduced to its regular Western Maryland freight and left the yards with 14 loads of coal at 10 o'clock this morning.

Another train of coal cars will arrive in the city this evening for Chlefion and will be given a pilot to the mines where it will pick up loads and place empties. President Carl Grey left last evening accompanied by Superintendent J. M. Scott, of the Monongah division of the Baltimore and Ohio; J. F. Keegan, general superintendent of the Wheeling system and the Western Maryland staff of transportation and engineering officials.

BISHOP PETERKIN DIES.
PARKERSBURG, Sept. 22.—Rev. Geo. W. Peterkin, bishop of West Virginia, died this afternoon at his home here after an illness of four years. He was for more than 60 years a bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church.

UNITED STATES FARM TRACTOR BASIS OF BRITISH TERROR OF WAR!



Harmless as the farm tractor shown here seems, it is made the terror of war in France when shipped there, covered with heavy steel armor plate and mounted with cannon. More than 1000, with perhaps their caterpillar belts longer than those shown here, are in use at the allied front. The U. S. army has ordered 27 tractors from the Peoria (Ill.) firm manufacturing them, but may not armor them.

TOO MANY DEATHS IN MARION COUNTY

State Health Department
Says Disease Can Be
Prevented

Many persons died of preventable causes in Marion county during 1916 according to the State Department of Health. There are 666 total deaths recorded for the year. Of these 192 babies under one year of age died from causes which were largely preventable.

Typhoid added 45 and typhoid added 25 deaths to the list. Four deaths from diphtheria could have been avoided if the antitoxin had been given early in sufficient dose. Cancer caused the death of 16 persons most of whom could have been saved by an operation if early diagnosis had been made and surgical attention sought. Whooping cough killed one child which might have been saved if the parents would consider whooping cough a serious disease to be avoided.

The typhoid deaths occurred in nine different towns. Fairmont being credited with ten deaths. These cases probably originated outside and were brought to Fairmont for treatment, but with the present system of recording deaths, Fairmont must be recorded as the place of death. This unjustly raises Fairmont's typhoid death rate and proves the need in an early change in handling the vital statistics of the state.

The standard death certificates, as used by all other states but two, say the state officials, should be adopted here and the original certificates be filed monthly with the State Health Department. The cases of typhoid can then be credited where they belong.

"These cases of typhoid could have been prevented by immunization with typhoid vaccine." Persons traveling or living in section having much typhoid fever should be vaccinated," according to the State Department. This includes Marion county.

City Hall Notes

There is a possibility that children failing to present a health certificate will be barred from school Monday next when the city schools open. Every doctor in the city has been supplied with blank certificates and are finding very few cases where the children are not up to the normal stage of good health.

Guillermo Garcia from Spain, who has been employed at digging ditches in the city resigned from the employ of the street department and has gone to work in the mines. He is on the pay roll as Guy Glass and when time came for identification so that he could get his pay check presented a bank book in which he had to his credit \$250. He said he was going to work in the mines where he can "get more centavo."

The city is getting ready to clean out the old council chamber room which in the past few months has become an abandoned and dreary hall. When cleaned up and fixed ready for occupancy again there is a likelihood that most of the public meetings to be held here will take place in the Council chamber room.

When the city commissioners yesterday visited the workings at Pleasant Valley road and State street they saw a familiar sight. It was the building which was moved from the new Bell Telephone building site to Pleasant Valley road where it now stands, two miles from its old location.

GOOD ADDRESSES AT TEACHERS' SESSIONS TODAY

Dr. J. N. Deahl of State
University Was
Heard

"Understanding and recognizing the Child" was the subject of an excellent address given this afternoon at the High school teachers' institute by Dr. J. N. Deahl of the West Virginia University. Dr. Deahl who is a favorite among local educators as a speaker of ability along educational lines gave much food for thought in the theme in which he spoke and the teachers were imbued with his thorough understanding and recognition of the characteristic of child life.

Another speaker of the afternoon who made a splendid impression on his hearers was Prof. J. A. Jackson superintendent of the Clarksburg city schools, who talked interestingly and entertainingly on the subject, "The Recitation."

Preceding the afternoon session two conferences of teachers were held in the High school. The teachers of the upper grades discussed the subjects "What to Expect from the 1916 Freshman," Prof. A. O. Watson, Frank S. White and W. E. Buckley principals of the Miller, Barnes and Butler schools, leading the discussion with brief interesting talks. The other subject discussed at the conference was "Shortcomings of Grammar school graduates," this discussion being led by Misses Isa Neal and E. F. Vangilder each giving a splendid talk on the subject as they see it.

The teachers of the lower grades met for a conference in the High school and this conference was under the direction of Miss Anna M. Boydston, primary supervisor of the Morgantown city schools. Miss Boydston in her talks to the teachers gave them many helpful ideas concerning the work of the primary grades.

Saturday morning another conference will be conducted at the High school building when Miss Boydston will again address the lower grade teachers on the subject, "How a Teacher May Know when She Teaches Well." The conference of the upper grades will be addressed by Prof. Walter Barnes of the Normal school who will discuss phases of the teaching of English.

The institute will be brought to a close with the session tomorrow morning. The attendance has been exceptionally good and the interest manifested on the part of the teachers has been marked. Prof. Otis G. Wilson superintendent of the city schools expressed himself as much gratified by the attendance and the interest manifested in the institute.

Court Examines New Bridge Plans

The various plans and bids for new bridges in the county which were carried over for further consideration by the county court were discussed at a meeting of this body and County Engineer Wilfong today. No contract however was let and it is likely that the court will further examine the plans before any definite action will be taken.

The Parker run bridge on which the Luten Bridge company submitted a bid on their patented plan was examined but no action taken. Cole Brothers were the only contractors who bid on the plan to this bridge on file in Engineer Wilfong's office.

PUBLIC HEALTH SOCIETY FORMED

Re-Organized Tuberculosis
League Will Be Branch
American Red Cross

The Public Health Nursing Service to affiliate with the American Red Cross Town and county Nursing service was organized last night at an enthusiastic meeting called by Anti-Tuberculosis League of this city in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. The purpose of the meeting as announced, was a get together meeting for the purpose of broadening the scope of the League and to form plans for cooperation with the American Red Cross society.

The Anti Tuberculosis League which has been one of the factors for good in this community was organized on March 2, 1909, and during the seven years of its existence has been untiring in its zeal and efforts to care for patients suffering with tuberculosis and to prevent by sanitary teachings the spread of the white plague. The reorganization while diligent in the extreme has been hampered by lack of funds and those closer in touch with the work realized that a larger membership would tend toward more effective work and the meeting held last night was for the purpose of organizing for a more effective campaign against contagious and infectious diseases.

Mrs. C. O. Henry presided at the meeting and introduced Dr. J. H. Broomfield who gave a splendid talk in which he recalled the many noble things accomplished by the League and predicted more and broader accomplishments for the new organization. Miss Elizabeth Voak the Red Cross Nurse affiliated with the work of the league gave a report in which she stated that several nurses could be used with good effect in caring for the sick in this community.

During the life of the league Mrs. Henry, Mrs. T. I. Brett and Dr. H. R. Johnston have served as presidents. The following officers were elected last night: President, Mrs. C. O. Henry; Mrs. T. I. Brett, first vice president; Mrs. Tusca Morris, second vice president; Miss Susan Arnett, secretary; Dr. H. R. Johnston, treasurer.

Executive committee: Mrs. W. T. Hartman, Miss Virginia Fleming, Mrs. W. S. Haymond, Mrs. C. E. Frame and Mr. Simon D. Goodman.

Membership committee: Mrs. Bert S. Leopold, chairman; Mrs. Anthony Bowen; Mrs. George Price, Miss Blake Watson and Mrs. H. R. Johnson.

Press Committee: Mr. Simon D. Goodman, chairman; Miss Margaret McKinney and Dr. Broomfield.

RETURNED FROM CARLISLE, PA.

Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Stoetzer and son John have returned from Carlisle, Pa., where they had been for a week the guests of friends. Last Sunday Dr. Stoetzer occupied the pulpit at the Dickinson Presbyterian church near Carlisle of which he was a former pastor. John Stoetzer leaves in ten days for Princeton, N. J., to re-enter Princeton University.

TROOPS TO MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Two Wyoming National Guard infantry battalions, troop A of the Kansas cavalry and troop B of the Wisconsin cavalry were ordered to the Mexican border today by the War department.

EIGHT STATES OF SOUTH CONTROL ADMINISTRATION

Maladministration At Wash-
ington Is Typical of
Democratic Party

WHAT W. VA. WOULD GET

Some Instructive Facts
About the Finances of
the Nation

(BY CHARLES BROOKS SMITH)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 22.—The fight of the Democratic party in West Virginia, largely confined to the attempt to wean over Republican votes on the plea that if John J. Cornwell and the other Democratic State nominees and the Democratic candidates for the legislature were elected in November West Virginia would be twice as well governed as it is today. This is always the cry of the man who is on the outside and wants to be on the inside. But the real test of the Democratic promises of today, is to be judged only on what Democrats have done and are able to do where the stamp of the Democratic party is the official brand of state or national government.

Certainly the Democrats have had every opportunity to show themselves under the present Wilson administration, for they have had every branch of legislative and administrative government. West Virginia is nothing more nor less than an integral part of that Democratic advice. Democratic action, Democratic result. If the heaven of West Virginia Democracy has only helped to make, through the help of Senator Chilton and the party's representatives in congress, something of the whole loaf of officialdom about as sad as a southern hoe-cake, what right have Republicans in West Virginia to believe that National Committeeman Watson, John Cornwell and the balance of the Fairmont ticket, if placed in control of West Virginia, would do any better if the whole baking were turned over to them? The envy of some

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COL. JADWIN WILL VISIT FAIRMONT

River Traffic Committee
Plan To Receive
Him

Chairman Earl Smith of the River Traffic committee of the Fairmont improvement association is busy now arranging for the visit of Lieutenant Colonel Edgar Jadwin, United States Engineer, of Pittsburgh, who is now on his way up the river on an inspection trip. Colonel Jadwin left Pittsburgh yesterday on the U. S. Survey Boat Kittanning, and will probably arrive here sometime tomorrow. He will stop at all of the towns along the river and on the trip will examine the locks and dams between here and Pittsburgh.

When Colonel Jadwin arrives here he will be met by the members of the River Traffic committee who are engaged in the work of encouraging the development of the river traffic between this city and Pittsburgh.

NOTICE TO PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND PHYSICIANS!

According to an order duly passed by the Board of Health of the City of Fairmont all children before being admitted to school in the City of Fairmont must present to their teacher certificate showing that they have been examined by a physician.

This examination may be made by any physician. Your own family physician is best for this examination. The results of the examination must be recorded on a special blank which may be secured at the city building. The blanks will be ready Tuesday morning and the examinations may be made at any time during the week.

The object of this general examination is to give the school authorities and the Board of Health accurate knowledge of the physical condition of all the children so that during the entire year we guard against any epidemics. We are mobilizing the physical resources of the children against the inevitable attack of disease during the inclement months.

Special Notice
Physicians are urged to charge the lowest possible fee for this examination and thus co-operate in this move. Adv.